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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby encloses a copy of an English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report, which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date; (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

The English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) provides a concise statement of relevance for the document no. 3 set forth therein, namely, for

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the document, "Edited by CSJ: The Chemical Society of Japan, "Shin Jikken KagakuKoza 15 Sanka to Kangen I-1," Maruzen Co., Ltd., 1976, pages 52 to 53". This document was previously cited by applicant in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 16, 2004. It is noted that all three of the references identified in the IPER were previously submitted to the U.S.P.T.O with an Information Disclosure Statement on July 16, 2004, and are therefore not enclosed herewith.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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